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SUBJECT: NEW LIBYAN AMBASSADOR TO TUNISIA

REF: TUNIS 870

1. ALL WE KNOW OF AMBASSADOR ZINTANI RPT ZINTANI IS THAT HE WAS MINISTER OF YOUTH AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS FROM JULY 1972 TO NOV 1974, WHEN GOVT UNDERWENT MINOR RESHUFFLE. HIS MINISTRY WAS RENAMED MINISTRY OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS AND SOCIAL SECURITY, AND HE WAS DROPPED (ONLY MINISTER TO HAVE THIS HAPPEN) AND NAMED AMBASSADOR ATTACHED TO FOREIGN MINISTRY. HE HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN GOVERNOR OF ZAWIA DISTRICT (1971).

2. AS AMBASSADOR SEELYE POINTS OUT, ZINTANI'S REMARKS ON U.S. ROLE IN MIDEAST ARE AT VARIANCE WITH POLICY OF GOVT HE REPRESENTS. LIBYAN OFFICIALS AT FOREIGN MINISTRY AND ELSEWHERE SPEAK IN SIMILAR TERMS FROM TIME TO TIME, AND WE HAVE NO DOUBT THAT THIS REPRESENTS SINCERE INTEREST IN BETTER LIBYAN-U.S. RELATIONS, AS WELL AS ARAB DESIRE TO PLEASE. TROUBLE IS, OF COURSE, THAT QADHAFI RUNS LIBYAN FOREIGN POLICY.  
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